Pennsylvanian, Arrested While Trying to Set Fire to Fayette City Garage, Said to Have Confessed

#### Guards BattleIncendiaries

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In Smithfield. The youth has frequently accompanied his father on his missionary excursions.

Bevier, when taken to jail, said that on Wednesday night he went to the Seidel garage, where he was employed, and finding a pair of overalls hanging on a nail, lighted them and carried them to the street, waving them and shouting. He said he lighted the orealis as a joke. When no person responded to his shouts, he says, he trampled the burning overalls until the trampled the burning overalls until the fire had been extinguished, then "went down street" and told some persons that there was a fre in the garage. Trapped in Mr. Brown's peach orchard of Andrew Brown, president of the First National Bank, whose \$50,000 harn was destroyed last Monday, and the destruction of the Park Hotel and the grocery store of Harry Eckman in Monessen by an incendiary fire were the outstanding developments to-day in Populace Joins in Hunt

In Smithfield. The youth has frequently accompanied his father on his monsted any further spread of the flames, which at one time threat-ened the entire block of business buildings.

Brantegan said this morning that on his way home from work he saw a jet of flames shoot up from the side of the grocery and at the same time a man dashed down Shoemaker Avenue. Brantegan opened fire on the fleeing man, while trying to set fire to a garage, a gun battle between guards and two firebugs in the peach orchard of Andrew Brown, president of the fire had been extinguished, then "went down street" and told some persons that there was a free in the garage.

Trapped in Mr. Brown's peach orchard of guards at 1:30 o'clock this morning after nearly 100 shots had been extended the entire block of business buildings.

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this afternoon on information charging arson made by the state police before Alderman John Darby, of Union-

According to the State Police. B. ier was arrested in the garage of william Seidel while in the garage of the same implement of destruction is said to have been used at a majority of the places ared last Monday and Tuesday mornings. How the police learned of the youth's presence in the

guards who led the hunt, but the allegeluded capture.
Since the fire Monday morning, in

Populace Joins in Hunt

No one was injured, so far as is known, and the men disappeared, al-

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garage was not disclosed. It was said he was hurriedly taken from Fayette grocery of Harry Eckman, in Shoemaker Avenue, Monessen. The loss was "tweated" by the police Under

City to North Belle Vernon, where he was "sweated" by the police. Under rigid questioning, he is said to have broken down and agreed to tell what he knew of the fires.

Father Financed By Banker

The youth's father has been en-

Flames Threaten Business District

The youth's father has been engaged in missionary work in this vicinity for some time, traveling from place to place and holding church services. In this undertaking he is said to have been financed by Mr. Brown, the banker, whose barn was destroyed. Yesterday the minister was appointed to the pastorate of a church in Smithfield. The youth has frequently accompanied his father on his missionary excursions. The fire started in the rear of Eckman's grocery, a two-story structure, and was burning fiercely at 2 o'clock when discovered by Brautegan. The flames spread to the Park Hotel, a three-story frame structure. Fire companies from Donora, Charleroi and Manager programed and further thanks. Monessen prevented any further spread of the flames, which at one time threat-ened the entire block of business build-

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 .- Continua- be p tion of the Lever act, repeal of which is provided in a bill already passed by the House, is "vitally important," to insure an adequate fuel constructive in though an armed posse scoured the district for miles around throughout the night. Nearby residents hastened the first exchange of shots and joined the guards who led the hunt, but the men place has been formally declared."

> which valuable livestock was lost. Mr Brown, one of the wealthiest and most prominent men of this section, has had purchasing its coal been able to prominent men of this section, has had guards stationed every night about his place.
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> Officials believe the suspects were members of the arson ring and that they planned destruction of the Brown residence last night, not knowing of the presence of the armed guards.
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> Half an hour after the gun fight, fire

### **Business Men Predict Year** Of Prosperity

(Continued from page eno

we have touched the bottom in the process of liquidation and deflation."

"There is every reason for being rationally optimistic for 1921. The important thing is that all underlying conditions in this country are good and national resources; our banks and our government are on a sound financial basis; we have placed our transporta-

larger than ever before in the history

ness. I think, is the best of trade barometers.

"Sales during the last few weeks have shown more life than in months. We recently laid in a stock of novelties and it was surprising to see how fast they were sold out. We had to lay in an additional stock and that, too has about been disposed of.

"Prices of manufacturers have about reached bottom. I think the retailers are doing their share. They all are trying to get from under. The shoe men, unless they have good financial backing, cannot afford to sell their stock at any greater sacrifice than they now are selling them. What is true of the shoe trade, I 'think, is generally true of all manufactured goods."

Sees Big Demand for Textiles

we have been getting from loyal friends and associates."

Manufacturers and wholesalers of articles sold by the department and dry goods stores throughout the country anticipate a great influx of buyers from the retail establishments shortly after the first of the year.

The buying of spring merchandise has been slight so far, retailers having deferred filling their wants in expectation of further price declines. Revisions of wholesale prices of dry goods are being made now in expectation of renewed buying after the first of the year.

Resident buyers representing apparel and dry goods stores say their clients are expecting to do a considerable volume of purchasing of spring apparel in January and have informed.

Sees Big Demand for Textiles

Textiles, including cotton, silks and velvets, will be in unprecedented demand within a few months, according to H. R. Mallinson, president of Mallinson & Co., silk merthants. He declared the demand for silks now was three times greater than the supply.

"Never was there a time when pessimistic talk was more inappropriate than the present," said Mr. Mallinson.
"Business can never be good when everybody is predicting depression. Yet in spite of all the gloomy talk we have heard in the last six months the country is forging ahead to the greatest era of prosperity in its history. It can't be stopped. January, February and March will find New York crowded with buyers eager to replenish the stocks which are now being fast depleted."

Employees of the American Chicle Textiles, including cotton, silks and

able volume of purchasing of spring apparel in January, and have informed their offices here that buyers will be sent on in large numbers during that

### Dies With Her Husband from Ardmore as a fugitive from jus-

Italy and Was Wedded to

Rocco Bruillo and his wife Carmella,

There is a silver I ning to every cloud, and the present situation has already been beneficial in showing where believe the year wil. establish a record for prosperty. The wealthy are again in the market, which is significant for the reason that wealth is always the first to close up and to open up. When times are hard the wealthy are the

## first to stop buying. Certainly this is true in the shoe business, which business, I think, is the best of trade barometers. "Sales during the last few weeks" "Sales during the last few weeks"

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 24. - Mrs. Clara Smith Hamon will enter a plea of not guilty to the charge of murder

She Had Just Arrived From until she had reached El Paso that she pla learned of Mr. Hamon's death. She did not dream that Mr. Hamon would die; none of us thought so at the time." whom he married Thursday at Ellis Island, were found dead from illuminating gas yesterday in the apartment which Bruillo had rented and furnished three months ago in preparation for his wedding, at 230 Academy Street, Newark. It is believed his bride, who had just arrived from Italy, blew out the gas.

Mr. Mathers, in a statement to The Associated Press, describing Mrs. Smith Hamon's flight, set forth that she left Ardmore on the Monday after the shooting of Mr. Hamon. Early that day, the statement said, at the bride, who had just arrived from Italy, blew out the gas. Smith Hamon's flight, set forth that Superior Officer Said to Have Employees of the American Chicle Company have been urged to take an optimistic view of business conditions. Bruillo was twenty-eight years old served each employee with a notice. It reads:

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Bruillo was twenty-eight years old and had been in this country for nine years, working as a laborer. He served that she consented to go, the state-overses with the Shooting of Mr Hamon. Early that day, the statement said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said, at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment said at the request of Mr. Hamon advised ber to leave Ardment sa

DANCING AND DINING

Dying Man Urged
Mrs. Hamon to Flee,
Her Attorney Says

Denies She Left Ardmore

Ployed attorneys to defend his niece should she come to trial.

The statement said that fo ty persons in Ardmore had made up a sum which they tendered Mr. Mathers to defend Mrs. Smith Hamon.

"Upon Mrs. Hamon's arrival in El Paso," the statement concludes, "she was met by her uncle, taken into Mexico and placed in the care of influent al Denies She Left Ardmore ico and placed in the care of influent as Fugitive From Justice, and Declares She Will
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her whereabouts. FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 24.— Miss Clara Smith Hamon arrived here late to-day from El Paso on her way

filed against her in connection with the death of Jake L. Hamon, Republican National Committeeman, when the case comes up for trial here in January, James H. Mathers, of counsel for the sccused woman, announced to-day.

"Clara Smith Hamon did not flee from Ardmore as a fugitive from justice," Mr. Mathers said. "It was not until she had reached El Paso that she learned of Mr. Hamon's death. She did to her family.

Is to Ardmore, Okla., to answer a charge of muster in connection with the death of Jake L. Hamon.

While one of her attorneys departed to her appearance in court and her expected release on \$10,000 bail, Mrs. Smith Hamon remained with members of her family in Fort Worth, where she expected to spend Christmas.

The woman declared that her only plans for the future were to devote herself to her family.

#### Railroad Detective Slain In Fight With Sergeant

Shot Victim When He Was

Getting Worst of Battle reads:

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Mrs. Hamon con-L. Harrison, of El ort Worth and em-N J., and Warner in Rutherford, N.

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